Community Development





Clark County Comprehensive Plan

Determination of Significance and Request for Comments on Scope

Description of Proposal. Clark County is in the process of revising the 2004 Comprehensive Growth Management Plan. This notice announces the county's intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on the proposed update to the Clark County Comprehensive Growth Management Plan. The environmental impact review process under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) will be used to inform the public of the advantages and disadvantages of the growth alternatives proposed.

The SEPA process requires that the county, as lead agency, notify the public of its intent to prepare an EIS so that citizens have an opportunity to comment on the scope of the impacts to be examined in the EIS. This notice summarizes the alternatives and scope of impacts analysis to be considered in the EIS.

Proponent: Clark County is the proponent for the comprehensive plan update.

Location of proposal: The EIS will cover all of unincorporated Clark County within the area referred to as the "maximum study area". Therefore, parts of rural Clark County outside the maximum study area are not evaluated in this EIS.

Lead agency: Clark County is the lead agency.

EIS Required. The lead agency has determined this proposal is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2)(c) and will be prepared. A long version of this notice, detailing likely environmental impacts from the alternatives can be reviewed at the Clark County Community Development office.

The lead agency has identified the following areas for discussion in the EIS:

A. Natural Environment

- 1. Earth
 - a. Soils
- 2. Water
 - a. Surface waters
 - b. Groundwater and aquifer recharge areas
- 3. Fish and Wildlife Habitat
 - a. Habitat
 - b. Sensitive, threatened and endangered species
 - c. Migratory species and migration routes
 - d. Wetlands
- 4. Energy and Natural Resources
 - a. Renewable and non-renewable energy sources
 - b. Scenic resources

- 1. Land and Shoreline Use
 - a. Land use, population, and housing
 - b. Economy
 - c. Historic and cultural resources
- 2. Transportation
 - a. Roadway network (including freight)
 - b. Transit
 - c. Non-motorized modes
- 3. Public Services and Utilities
 - a. Fire
 - b. Police
 - c. Schools
 - d. Parks or other recreational facilities
 - e. Libraries
 - f. General government facilities
 - g. Solid waste
 - h. Sanitary sewer
 - i. Public water supplies
- 4. GMA Conformance
 - a. GMA requirements
 - b. County-wide planning policies
 - c. Concurrency
 - d. Fiscal impacts
 - e. Public involvement

Scoping. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the scope of the EIS. You may comment on alternatives, mitigation measures, probable significant adverse impacts, and licenses or other approvals that may be required. Comments should be submitted in writing by October 28, 2005 to Marlia Jenkins.

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CLARK COUNTY Revised Comprehensive Plan

Notice of Environmental Impact Statement Scoping

Clark County is updating the 2004 Comprehensive Growth Management Plan. The county will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) in compliance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). The environmental impact review process will inform the public of the environmental impacts of the proposed growth alternative. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the scope of the EIS. You may comment on alternatives, mitigation measures, probable significant adverse impacts, or other approvals that may be required.

Comments on the scope of the EIS may be submitted:

- In person at the EIS Scoping open house October 18, 2005, 7-9pm 21609 NE 72nd Avenue, Fire District #11 Battle Ground, WA 98604
- In writing to Comprehensive Plan EIS Scoping PO Box 9810, Vancouver WA 98666 FAX (360) 759-5574
- Over the Web at www.clark.wa.gov/longrangeplan/ review/index.html

Look for the EIS Scoping comments

Comments must be received by October 28, 2005. Please direct questions to Marlia.Jenkins@clark.wa.gov or (360) 397-2375 ext. 4405.

If you need auxiliary aids or services in order to attend the open house, contact the Clark County ADA Compliance Office. **V** (360) 397-2025; **TTY** (360) 397-2445; **E-mail** ADA@clark.wa.gov



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